

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Gjalt W. Huisman, Laura Z. Luo and Oliver P. Peoples

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For: *MICROBIAL STRAINS AND PROCESSES FOR THE MANUFACTURE OF  
BIOMATERIALS*

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Sir:

Responsive to the office action mailed on January 24, 2008, please amend the application as follows. Enclosed with this amendment and response is a Petition for Extension of Time to extend the period for response for three months, up to and including July 24, 2008. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge \$1050.00, the fee for a Petition for a Three-month Extension of Time for a large entity, to Deposit Account No. 50-3129.

It is believed that no additional fee is required with this submission. However, should an additional fee be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 50-3129.